

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-6. (Canceled).

7. (Currently Amended): A pharmaceutical composition for the prevention or treatment of allergic diseases comprising the an herbal extract of Claim 1 as an active ingredient, which is obtained by extracting *Houttuynia cordata* and *Rubus coreanus* with water or organic solvents as an active ingredient and at least one selected from the group consisting of a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient and diluent, wherein the herbal extract has inhibitory activities against the degranulation and histamine release of mast cells.

8. (Currently Amended): A food composition for the prevention or improvement of allergic diseases comprising the an herbal extract of Claim 1 as an active ingredient, which is obtained by extracting *Houttuynia cordata* and *Rubus coreanus* with water or organic solvents as an active ingredient, wherein the herbal extract has inhibitory activities against the degranulation and histamine release of mast cells.

9. (Currently Amended): The composition of Claim 7, which further comprises comprising at least one selected from the group consisting of *Cornus officinalis Sieb. et Zucc* extract, *Crataegi fructus* extract and *Mori folium* extract.

10. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 7, wherein the allergic diseases are selected from the group consisting of allergic asthma, allergic rhinitis, allergic otitis, anaphylactic shock and allergic skin disorders.

11. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 10, wherein the allergic skin disorders are selected from a group consisting of atopic dermatitis, psoriasis, contact allergic dermatitis and urticaria.

12. (Withdrawn and Currently Amended): A method for preventing or treating allergic diseases, which comprises the step of administering an effective amount of the ~~herbal extract of Claim 1~~pharmaceutical composition of Claim 7 to a subject in need thereof.

13. (Withdrawn and Currently Amended): A method for inhibiting the degranulation and histamine release of mast cells, which comprises the step of administering an effective amount of the ~~herbal extract of claim 1~~pharmaceutical composition of Claim 7 to a subject in need thereof.

14. (Canceled).

15. (Currently Amended): The composition of Claim 8, ~~which further comprises comprising~~ at least one selected from the group consisting of *Cornus officinalis Sieb. et Zucc* extract, *Crataegi fructus* extract and *Mori folium* extract.

16. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 8, wherein the allergic diseases are selected from the group consisting of allergic asthma, allergic rhinitis, allergic otitis, anaphylactic shock and allergic skin disorders.

17. (New) The pharmaceutical composition of Claim 7, wherein the *Houttuynia cordata* and the *Rubus coreanus* are mixed at a weight ratio of 1:4 to 4:1.

18. (New) The food composition of Claim 8, wherein the *Houttuynia cordata* and the *Rubus coreanus* are mixed at a weight ratio of 1:4 to 4:1.